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Dear Nicola,

I refer to your request dated 4 October 2019, pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), seeking:

copies of all advice provided by the Ministry of Transport to the Associate Transport Minister Julie-Anne Genter or her office in relation to the potential or actual Let’s Get Wellington Moving programme including but not limited to the costs and or benefits of particular projects, the sequencing of projects, and any background advice relating to Wellington transport issues.

Please narrow this request to include only advice produced between August 2018 and May 2019.

Please take this request to include emails, reports, memos, aide memoirs, and any other information that may be relevant to the request.

Hon Phil Twyford, Minister of Transport, was the primary recipient of all advice provided by the Ministry of Transport on Let’s Get Wellington Moving (LGWM). The Associate Minister of Transport, Hon Julie Anne Genter, often received copies of these documents, but was never provided anything separately.

All of the advice prepared by the Ministry between August 2018 and May 2019 on LGWM is available on the Ministry’s website (transport.govt.nz/land/lgwm). Therefore, I am refusing your request in reliance on section 18(d) of the Act because the information you have requested is publicly available.

We do not hold any emails within the scope of your request between the Ministry and the Associate Minister of Transport, or her office. As stated above, it was the Minister of Transport who was the key recipient of advice in the LGWM process. Therefore I am refusing this part of your request in reliance on section 18(e) of the Act because the information does not exist.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to make a complaint about the response to this request to the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz
The Ministry publishes our Official Information Act responses and the information contained in our reply to you will be published on the Ministry's website. Before publishing we will remove any personal or identifiable information.

Yours sincerely

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